

IN THE CLAIMS

1. An information processing apparatus for dealing with moving pictures, comprising:

storing means for storing still pictures corresponding to scene switchovers of said moving pictures, and time stamps of said scene switchovers; and

display controlling means for providing display control in such a manner as to display, given a reference position on a screen, said still pictures in positions at distances from said reference position, said distances reflecting differences between a time stamp corresponding to said reference position on the one hand and said time stamps of said scene switchovers on the other hand.

2. An information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said display controlling means provides display control in such a manner that the time stamp of a moving picture being reproduced by reproducing means corresponds to said reference position.

3. An information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said display controlling means provides display control in such a manner as to shift continuously the positions of said still pictures in accordance with the time stamp of a moving picture being reproduced by reproducing means.

4. An information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said display controlling means provides display control in such a manner as to display indications resembling sprocket perforations of a movie film in the vicinity of said still pictures.

5. An information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said display controlling means provides display control in such a manner as to display a reference position on said screen on a fixed and highlighted manner.

6. An information processing method for use with an information processing apparatus for dealing with moving pictures, the method comprising the steps of:

storing still pictures corresponding to scene switchovers of said moving pictures, and time stamps of said scene switchovers; and

providing display control in such a manner as to display, given a reference position on a screen, said still pictures in positions at distances from said reference position, said distances reflecting differences between a time stamp corresponding to said reference position on the one hand and said time stamps of said scene switchovers on the other hand.

7. A medium for causing an information processing apparatus for dealing with moving pictures to execute a program comprising the steps of:

storing still pictures corresponding to scene switchovers of said moving pictures, and times stamps of said scene switchovers; and

providing display control in such a manner as to display, given a reference position on a screen, said still pictures in positions at distances from said reference position, said distances reflecting differences between a time stamp corresponding to said reference position on the one hand and said time stamps of said scene switchovers on the other hand.